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TO: LOCSD Board of Directors  
FROM: Renee Osborne, General Manager  
Tom Wright, Donor

SUBJECT: **Agenda Item 11H – 2/7/2019 Board Meeting**  
Requesting Permission to Build/Install a “Little Free Library” Box at the South Bay Fire Station

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**DESCRIPTION**

A resident is seeking permission to install a Little Free Library (LFL) box at the South Bay Fire Department building owned by the Los Osos Community Services District (District). LFL is a non-profit organization that inspires a love of reading, builds community, and sparks creativity by fostering neighborhood book exchanges around the world. The first LFL started in 2009 with one library in Hudson, Wisconsin. The LFL family has grown to over 75,000 libraries in 88 countries worldwide. There are currently ten officially registered LFL's in Los Osos. For more information on Little Free Library, visit their web site: LittleFreeLibrary.org

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

This item will be approved along with the Consent Calendar unless it is pulled by a Director for separate consideration. If so, Staff recommends that the Board adopt the following motion:

***Motion: I move that the Board approve the installation of the “Little Free Library” Box at 2315 Bayview Heights by Tom Wright.***

**DISCUSSION**

Tom Wright has built seven Little Free Library's (LFL) to date. These have been installed around California, including: two in Los Osos (Pecho Rd. at Rosina, Fresno St. in Sunset Terrace), two in Camarillo, one in Elk Grove, one in Sonora, one in Petaluma, plus, one Little Free Pantry, in Los Osos on LOVR and Pine. Mr. Wright would like permission to install the LFL on the District owned property on 2315 Bayview Heights (South Bay Fire Department). All costs associated with the LFL have been absorbed by Mr. Wright and his wife (approximately \$300). The proposed location is near the sidewalk on the east side, in front of Station 15. The LFL idea has been discussed with the Staff at Fire Station 15 and has received enthusiastic support from the Staff and Firefighters.

The one-time LFL registration fee (\$40.00) has been paid by Mr. Wright. The LFL will have an engraved sign and number. Once the library is installed, Mr. Wright will register the location adding the Fire Station 15 Library to the LFL website map. Staff recommends approval of the installation of the LFL at the South Bay Fire Department.

**FISCAL IMPACT**

There will be NO COST to South Bay Fire Department nor the District. Mr. Wright has absorbed all costs and services related to the LFL.



